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SUBJECT: DRUG ABUSE REHABILITATION ADVISOR

REF: A) STATE 5114, B) KUALA LUMPUR 1884

1. THE DCM MET MARCH 9 WITH DATUK JARJIS, DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRAL NARCOTICS BUREAU, TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED EXCHANGE OF LETTERS REGARDING THE ADVISOR TO PEMADAM, THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AGAINST DRUG ABUSE. JARJIS, REFERRING TO THE CURRENT REASSESSMENT AND RESTRUCTURING OF THE MALAYSIAN ANTI-DRUG EFFORT (REF B), INDICATED THAT THE GOM IS NOT YET READY TO ACCEPT THE USG OFFER OF AN ADVISOR TO PEMADAM. UNTIL THE INTERNAL GOM REORGANIZATION IS COMPLETE, AN ADVISOR TO PEMADAM AS OUTLINED IN THE PROPOSED EXCHANGE OF LETTERS (REF A) MIGHT WELL FIND HIMSELF WITH LITTLE TO DO FOR SOME MONTHS. EVEN THE PROPOSED HALF-WAY HOUSE SEEMS SOMEWHAT UNCERTAIN AT THIS POINT. (WE HAVE BEEN CONFIDENTIALLY INFORMED THAT THE HALF-WAY HOUSE IDEA HAS BEEN CHALLENGED BY SOME IN THE GOM AND HAS TAKEN ON UNSPECIFIED POLITICAL CONNOTATIONS WHICH MIGHT DELAY ITS IMPLEMENTATION).

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2. COMMENT: IT IS CLEAR FROM JARJIS' COMMENTS THAT THE GOM IS NOT PREPARED TO RECEIVE THE PEMADAM ADVISOR FOR AT LEAST SEVERAL MONTHS, AND INDEED, THEY MIGHT WANT TO PUT OUR OFFER OF ASSISTANCE INTO SOME OTHER FORM. WE RECOMMEND THAT THE DEPT. HOLD IN ABEYANCE RECRUITING SOMEONE FOR THE

PEMADAM POSITION UNTIL WE HEAR FURTHER FROM THE
GOM. WE WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW UP WITH THE GOM
AND WILL ADVISE.

3. WE HAVE BEEN ASSURED BY WELFARE SERVICES
MINISTRY PERSONNEL THAT THEY DO NOT EXPECT SIMILAR
DIFFICULTIES WITH THE PLANNED WELFARE MINISTRY
REHABILITATION TRAINING TEAM. A COPY OF THE DRAFT
LETTER ON THIS PROJECT (AS PREPARED IN K.L. DUR JN
Y
BOB RETKA'S VISIT) HAS BEEN GIVEN TO THE ACTING
DIRECTOR GENERAL OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND THE DRAFT
IS NOW BEING REVISIT BY THE GOM. IT WOULD BE
HELPFUL TO HAVE A DEPARTMENT-APPROVED VERSION OF
THIS LETTER AT AN EARLY DATE.
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